## PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT
CHAPTER 263, TAXATION LOCAL LAW
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2008, 7:00 P.M.
NEW WINDSOR TOWN HALL
NEW WINDSOR, NEW YORK

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Green, Councilwoman Mullarkey, Councilwoman Weyant, Councilwoman Biasotti, Councilman Lundstrom

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Comptroller Finnegan, Highway Superintendent Fayo, Town Attorney Blythe, Assessor Wiley, Deputy Police Chief Hovey

## SALUTE TO FLAG

Supervisor Green then called to order the Public Hearing regarding the proposed amendment to Chapter 263, entitled Taxation Local Law.

The Town Clerk presented proof of publication as required by law.

Assessor Todd Wiley explained that the purpose of the local law is to raise the limit of the low income senior citizen exemption from \$29,900 to \$32,400. He said that there are requirements which must be met before receiving the low income senior exemption, but anyone who receives this exemption will also automatically receive the Enhanced STAR exemption towards their school taxes. The application deadline is March 1st and must be applied for annually.

Leo Braun wanted to know if this affected the veteran's exemption and Mr. Wiley said that they were completely separate exemptions.

Councilwoman Mullarkey asked for clarification on school aged children being in a multi family house. Assessor Wiley said that for example, if a senior owned a two or three family house and had a tenant living there with school aged children, the owner would be denied the school tax exemption.

## MOTION - CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Councilwoman Mullarkey, seconded by Councilwoman Weyant that the Town Board of the Town of New Windsor close the Public Hearing regarding Increasing Income Limit – Low Income Senior Citizen Exemption at 7:25 P.M.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried: 5-0

## MOTION - ADOPT AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 263

Motion by Councilwoman Mullarkey, seconded by Councilwoman Weyant that the Town Board of the Town of New Windsor pursuant to Sections 10 and 11 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, adopt the amendment to Chapter 263 of the Town Code of the Town of New Windsor in accordance with the Local Law attached hereto and directs the Town Clerk to publish pursuant to law. This amendment increases the income limits for partial property tax exemption for senior citizens.

Roll Call: All Ayes Motion Carried: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

DEBORAH GREEN TOWN CLERK